

**Question 1:** Use the Wronskian to determine if  $S = \{x, e^{-x}, xe^x\}$  is a linearly independent set on  $(-\infty, \infty)$ .

$$y_1 = x, y_1' = 1, y_1'' = 0$$

$$y_2 = e^{-x}, y_2' = -e^{-x}, y_2'' = e^{-x}$$

$$y_3 = xe^x, y_3' = e^x + xe^x, y_3'' = 2e^x + xe^x$$

$$W = \begin{vmatrix} x & e^{-x} & xe^x \\ 1 & -e^{-x} & e^x + xe^x \\ 0 & e^{-x} & 2e^x + xe^x \end{vmatrix}$$

using column 1.

$$= x[(-2-x) - (1+x)] - 1[(2+x) - x]$$

$$= -2x^2 - 3x - 2$$

$$= -(2x^2 + 3x + 2)$$

$$\neq 0 \text{ on } (-\infty, \infty) \text{ since } b^2 - 4ac = 3^2 - 4(2)(2) < 0$$

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$\therefore S$  is lin. ind.

**Question 2:** Determine whether  $S = \{(1, 0, 0, 0), (1, 1, 1, 1), (1, 0, 1, 0), (0, 1, 0, 1)\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

Since  $S$  contains 4 vectors and  $\dim(\mathbb{R}^4) = 4$ ,  
 $S$  is a basis if and only if

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$$

$$= 1[(1)(1-0) - 0(\sim) + 1(0-1)]$$

$$= 0$$

$\therefore S$  is not a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

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**Question 3:** Let  $p_1 = 1 + x$ ,  $p_2 = 1 + x^2$  and  $p_3 = x + x^2$ . If  $p = 2 - x + x^2$  and  $S = \{p_1, p_2, p_3\}$  is a basis, find  $(p)_S$ . (Recall,  $(p)_S$  is the coordinate vector for  $p$  relative to the basis  $S$ .)

$(\vec{p})_S = (a, b, c)$  where  $a\vec{p}_1 + b\vec{p}_2 + c\vec{p}_3 = \vec{p}$ , so solve

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$R_2 = (-1)r_1 + r_2$ :

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$R_2 = (-1)r_2$ :

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$R_3 = (-1)r_2 + r_3$ :

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -2 \end{array} \right]$$

$R_3 = \frac{1}{2}r_3$ :

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right]$$

$\therefore c = -1$   
 $b = 3 + c = 2$   
 $a = 2 - b = 0$

$\therefore (p)_S = (0, 2, -1)$

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**Question 4:** Find a basis and state the dimension of the row space of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & -2 \\ 4 & 3 & -1 \\ 6 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} R_2 = (-3)r_1 + r_2 \\ R_3 = (-4)r_1 + r_3 \\ R_4 = (-6)r_1 + r_4 \end{array} \right\} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -5 \\ 0 & -1 & -5 \\ 0 & -1 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\therefore$  Basis is  $\{(1, 1, 1), (0, 1, 5)\}$ ,  
 dimension is 2.

$$R_2 = (-1)r_2:$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & -1 & -5 \\ 0 & -1 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} R_3 = (-1)r_2 + r_3 \\ R_4 = (-1)r_2 + r_4 \end{array} \right\} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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**Question 5:** Find a basis for the subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  consisting of all vectors  $(a, b, c)$  where  $b = a + c$ .

Subspace consists of all vectors of

$$\text{Form } \begin{bmatrix} a \\ a+c \\ c \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$\therefore$  Basis is  $\{(1, 1, 0), (0, 1, 1)\}$ , dimension is 2,

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**Question 6:** Find a basis for the subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  spanned by  $\mathbf{v}_1 = (1, -1, 3)$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_2 = (5, -4, -4)$  and  $\mathbf{v}_3 = (7, -6, 2)$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & -1 & 3 \\ 5 & -4 & -4 \\ 7 & -6 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\therefore$  Basis is  $\{(1, -1, 3), (0, 1, -19)\}$ .

$$R_2 = (-5)r_1 + r_2:$$

$$R_3 = (-7)r_1 + r_3:$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & -19 \\ 0 & 1 & -19 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_3 = (-1)r_2 + r_3:$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -19 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Question 7: The matrix  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 6 & -1 \\ 3 & 4 & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & -4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$  has REF  $\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a) Give a basis and state the dimension of the row space of  $\mathbf{A}$ .

$$\left\{ (1, 3, 1, 3), (0, 1, 1, 0), (0, 0, 0, 1) \right\}, \text{ dimension } 3.$$

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(b) Give a basis and state the dimension of the column space of  $\mathbf{A}$ .

$$\left\{ (1, 0, -3, 3, 2), (3, 1, 0, 4, 0), (3, 0, -1, 1, -2) \right\}, \text{ dimension } 3.$$

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(c) Give a basis and state the dimension of the null space of  $\mathbf{A}$ . (Equivalently, give a basis and state the dimension of the solution space of  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{0}$ .)

Letting  $x_3 = r$ , we have from  $\mathbf{R}$ :  $x_4 = 0$

$$x_2 = -x_3 = -r$$

$$x_1 = -3x_4 - x_3 - 3x_2 = 2r$$

$\therefore$  Solution have form  $\begin{bmatrix} 2r \\ -r \\ r \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = r \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , so

null space has basis  $\{(2, -1, 1, 0)\}$ , dimension is 1.

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(d) Determine  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A})$  and  $\text{nullity}(\mathbf{A})$ .

$$\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = 3, \text{ nullity}(\mathbf{A}) = 1$$

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(e) Determine  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}^T)$  and  $\text{nullity}(\mathbf{A}^T)$ .

$$\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}^T) = 3, \text{ nullity}(\mathbf{A}^T) = 2$$

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**Question 8:** Let the transformation  $T_1$  represent projection onto the  $xy$ -plane and  $T_2$  be the transformation which rotates a vector in  $R^3$  counter-clockwise about the  $y$ -axis by an angle  $\theta$ .

(a) Determine the standard matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  for the transformation  $T_1$ .

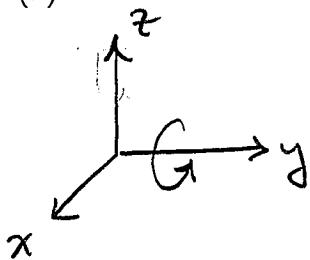
$$T_1 \left( \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ so } T_1 \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, T_1 \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$T_1 \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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(b) Determine the standard matrix  $\mathbf{B}$  for the transformation  $T_2$ .



$$T_2 \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta \\ 0 \\ -\sin \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T_2 \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T_2 \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} \sin \theta \\ 0 \\ \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 & \sin \theta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin \theta & 0 & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}.$$

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(c) Determine the image of the line segment joining  $(2, 1, 1)$  and  $(1, 3, -1)$  if it is first rotated counter-clockwise about the  $y$ -axis by  $\pi/6$  (or  $30^\circ$ ) and then projected onto the  $xy$ -plane.

$$\mathbf{AB} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\therefore$  image is line segment from

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{3}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\left( \frac{2\sqrt{3}+1}{2}, 1, 0 \right)$  to  $\left( \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{2}, 3, 0 \right).$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2\sqrt{3}+1}{2} & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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